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Applic. No. : 10/042,018 Confirmation No. 4907
Applicant : Günter Stephan
Filed : January 7, 2002
TC/A.U. : 3653
Examiner : Joseph C. Rodriguez
Title: : Device for Separating Mutually Adjacent Flat Copies

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AMENDMENT under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the final Office action dated March 17, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.